## Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listing of claims in the application.

## Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A computing system construction method under execution environment to be dependent on OS on the occasion of returning an error code to the application program in different execution environments of a computing system, wherein comprising:

this computing system comprises a CPU including a general register as hardware and executing an operating system to be executed on the hardware;

wherein an instruction set of said CPU includes an instruction to load immediate value for storing an immediate value to said general register;

wherein said CPU executes an execution program to be executed on said operating system consists of an execution program corresponding to said an application program and a program to be used to be independent on different OS to be

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used in absorbing a different difference between execution environments, and outputs

an error code which is returned when control is returned is defined, from said program to be used to be independent on different OS, as the a common error code to be independent on execution environment when the operation is returned from the program absorbing a difference between execution environments to in the execution program corresponding to said application program;

moreover, wherein said common error code is determined as a value within the  $\underline{a}$  numerical range which can be set with said instruction to load immediate value, and

said common error code is held within the instruction code of said instruction to load immediate value.

2. (Currently Amended) A computing system construction method under execution environment dependent on OS according to claim 1, wherein said common error code is determined within the a range of a numerical value where the most significant bit (MSB) of said immediate value is set to zero (0).

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3. (Currently Amended) A computing system construction method under execution environment dependent on OS according to claim 1, wherein said common error code is determined with a positive value without any sign,

wherein said CPU under the condition that the zero promotion is automatically performs aconducted sign extension for the leading part of data when data which is smaller than the number of bits of said general register when such data is loaded to said general register as the specification of said instruction set.

4. (Currently Amended) A computing system construction method under execution environment dependent on OS according to claim 1, wherein said common error code is determined within a range of the numerical value to set the most significant bit MSB of said immediate value to zero (0),

wherein said CPU under the condition that the sign promotion is automatically performs a conducted sign extension for the leading part of data when data which is smaller than the number of bits of said general register when such data is loaded to said general register as the specification of said instruction set.

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5. (Canceled)